

VOTING APPARATUS AND METHOD WITH CERTIFICATION,  
VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION THEREOF

ABSTRACT

A voting apparatus for display of candidates for offices in  
5 elective races and selective voting by a voter to elect one  
of said candidates in which a computer displays on a touch-  
sensitive video screen a sequential series of ballot  
screens corresponding to a race with candidate information  
block having a text name and/or a graphic image for each  
10 candidate. The voter touches the selected candidate  
information block, and a signal is sent to the central  
processor corresponding to the selected candidate. The  
vote is communicated to a tabulator for summing the votes  
for the candidate. The apparatus provides a voter  
15 validation receipt for voter certification, validation and  
verification of voting. An method of voting and for voters  
to certify, validate, and verify votes tabulated by the  
vote tabulation center is disclosed.